Pay Scale of Accounts Officers of Indian Audit and Accounts Department

3662. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General of India had recommended the sale of Rs. 3000-4500 for the Accounts Officers of the Indian Audit and Accounts Department;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this proposal was accepted by the Government in principle and only the date of implementation was to be decided in consultation with C.&.A.C.; and

(d) if so, the reasons for the delay in implementing the decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) and (b). The Comptroller and Auditor General had recommended that the Audit/Accounts Officers in the scale of Rs. 2375-3500 be given the higher scale of pay equivalent to that of Under Secretaries to the Government of India i.e. Rs. 3000-4500.

(c) The proposal was not accepted by the Govenrment.

(d) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Expenditure on Trade Development Authority and Indian Institute of Foreign Trade

3663. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total expenditure incurred on the Trade Development Authority and the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade during the last three years; and

(b) the total value of assistance obtained in trade through these institutions during the above period?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHID): (a) The total expenditure incurred on the Trade Development Authority and the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade during the last three years i.e. from 1988-89 to 1990-91 is given below:-

Year	*Trade Development Authority*	*Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (Rupees in lakhs)*
1988-89	443.14	172.37
1989-90	523.61	191.60
1990-91	553.29	204.03
Total	1520.04	568.00

(b) Trade Development Authority is an export promotion organisation set up for promoting export of selected non-traditional products to specific markets and concentrates on providing a package of services to exporters mainly in small scale sector. It does not enter the export transactions directly but only assists its members to do so, by playing the role of a catalyst. It is thus not possible to quantify the value of trade done with the assistance of Trade Development Authority. However, as a result of its promotional programmes, the estimated value of business secured by its member during the last three years is Rs. 433.37 crores, the break-up of which is given below:-

Year	*Business generated (Rs. in crores)*
1988-89	115.68
1989-90	188.48
1990-91	129.21
Total	433.37

The Indian Institute of Foreign Trade is mainly a Research and Training Institution in the fields of foreign trade, International business and marketing through specialised training programmes. Since it is a non-trading organisation, it is not possible to quantify the value of trade done with the assistance of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade.

[*English*]

Road Bonds

3664. SHRI RAMA KRISHNA KONATHALA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposals from the Government of Andhra Pradesh to issue 'Road Bonds' for improving and developing bridge and State Highways; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). No such proposal of the Government of Andhra Pradesh is presently pending with the Government of India.

Reinsurance of Insurance covers by GIC in Foreign Markets

3665. SHRI SUDHIR SAWANT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of insurance covers which have been reinsured by the General Insurance Corporation in foreign markets;

(b) the norms followed by the GIC while selecting brokers for the above purpose;

(c) whether there are fixed brokers or whether these are changed annually and are different for different kinds of covers; and

(d) the names of brokers through whom reinsurance has been done during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The number of insurance covers which have been reinsured by the General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC) and its subsidiary companies in foreign markets is 25.

(b) to (d). Reinsurance is a specialised type of business and the GIC is utilising the services of the world's leading reinsurance brokers in the respective fields to the market's best advantage. There are no fixed workers, just as there are no fixed terms. Utilisation depends on ability, performance, economical rates and terms of premium, efficient dealings in the collection of claim monies, etc.

The names of brokers through whom outward reinsurance business has been done during the last three years are as under:-

Indian Brokers

1) Bhaichand Amoluk & Co.

2) Global Insurance Claims & Allied Agencies Pvt. Ltd.